

CITY OF BRAWLEY
June 1, 2021

The City Council of the City of Brawley, California met in regular session at 6:00 PM, City Council Chambers, 383 Main Street, Brawley, California, the date, time and place duly established for the holding of said meeting. The City Clerk attests to the posting of the agenda pursuant to G.C. §54954.2.

Mayor Hamby called meeting to order @ 6:00 PM

PRESENT: Castro, Couchman, Hamby, Nava, Wharton
ABSENT: None

INVOCATION Police Chief Duran

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE CM Couchman

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was **approved** as submitted. m/s/c Couchman/Nava 5-0

2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS (Not to exceed 4 minutes) this is the time for the public to address the Council **on any item not appearing on the agenda** that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council.

To maintain social distancing, in person attendance is strongly discouraged. Should a member of the public wish to provide public comments, please submit written comments via email to abenavides@brawley-ca.gov or contact the City Clerk's Office at 760/351.3080. The deadline to submit written comments is 1pm June 1, 2021.

State of California Governor Gavin Newsom waived specific portions of the Brown Act by Executive Order for the period that social distancing measures are recommended and required by state and local public health officials. The waiver of Brown Act provisions requires:

- a. Members of the public are allowed to observe and address public meetings telephonically or through other electronic means.
- b. Procedures "swiftly" accommodate any reasonable request to accommodate access by disabled individuals to meetings that are accessible telephonically or through other electronic means in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA").
- c. Notice of the procedure is provided for making requests for such reasonable accommodation with the notice for any public meeting.
- d. **Julie Reeves** re: Weeds & Trash @ 7-11 on Main/Western Avenue and commented on Cell Tower Lease Agreement.

Public Comments and Presentations are available on the City of Brawley's website:

http://brawley.thepublicspectrum.org/view_video.php?meeting=220&video=H7hRJrejK_I&yt=1

3. CONSENT AGENDA Items are approved by one motion. Council Members or members of the public may request consent items be considered separately at a time determined by the Mayor. m/s/c Nava/Couchman 5-0

PRESENT: Castro, Couchman, Hamby, Nava, Wharton

ABSENT: None

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

- a. **APPROVED** City Council Minutes: May 18, 2021
- b. **APPROVED** Accounts Payable: April 23 thru May 21, 2020
- c. **APPROVED** Replacement of the Spillman Records Management System with Pro Phoenix.
- d. **APPROVED** Consulting Agreement with Tommy Marquez Consulting LLC.

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4. FY 21/22 PROPOSED CITYWIDE BUDGET WORKSHOP

- a. Review, discuss and provide additional direction on the Proposed 2021/2022 Citywide Budget presented by Karla Romero, Finance Director/City Treasurer.

Discussion and information regarding the Citywide Budget Workshop is available on the City of Brawley's website:

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5. CITY MANAGER REPORT

- a. Illegal Dumping within the City Limits
- b. Utility Assistance Grants

Discussion and information regarding the City Manager Report is available on the City of Brawley's website:

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6. REGULAR BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and Direction re: Cell Tower Lease Agreement, 221 E. Magnolia Street, Brawley, CA 92227

Nicole Rothfleish and Rachel Cato re: Cell Tower Lease Agreement and Mayor Hamby read a letter submitted by **Liz Lorenzen**.

- b. Update on City of Brawley Declaration of Local Emergency as a Result of COVID-19 Pandemic
 - i. Overall Outlook presented by Mike York, Fire Chief
 - ii. Discussion and Potential Action to Extend Resolution No. 2021-04: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Proclaiming the Existence of an Ongoing Local Emergency for

COVID-19 presented by Mike York, Fire Chief.

The City Council **approved** Resolution No. 2021-19: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Proclaiming the Existence of an Ongoing Local Emergency for COVID-19. m/s/c Nava/Castro 5-0

- c. Discussion and Potential Action to Approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Imperial Valley Drug Coalition Law Enforcement Coordination Center and the City of Brawley and authorize the Police Chief to execute the MOU, presented by Jimmy Duran, Police Chief.

The City Council **approved** the Memorandum of Understanding between Imperial Valley Drug Coalition Law Enforcement Coordination Center and the City of Brawley and authorize the Police Chief to execute the MOU. m/s/c Wharton/Castro 5-0

- d. Discussion and Potential Action to Approve the Agreement for the Fiscal Years 2019 Operation Stonegarden Grant Program and the City of Brawley and authorize the Police Chief to execute the agreement, presented by Jimmy Duran, Police Chief.

The City Council **approved** the Agreement for the Fiscal Year 2019 Operation Stonegarden Grant Program and the City of Brawley and authorize the Police Chief to execute the agreement. m/s/c Couchman/Wharton 5-0

- e. Discussion and Potential to Approve Purchase of Motorola Encryption Upgrade in the amount of \$323,995.00 utilizing American Rescue Plan Funding presented by Jimmy Duran, Police Chief.

The City Council **approved** the Purchase of Motorola Encryption Upgrade in the amount of \$323,995.00 utilizing American Rescue Plan Funding. m/s/c Nava/Couchman 5-0

- f. Review and Discuss the Proposed Utility User Tax Ballot Measure Language Prior to Placing on the Required Resolution for Formal Consideration presented by Karla Romero, Finance Director/City Treasurer.
- g. Adopt 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 2021- : Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Amending Chapter 19H of the Brawley Municipal Code Concerning the Use and Possession of Fireworks presented by Bill Smerdon, City Attorney.

The City Council approved the 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 2021-06: Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Amending Chapter 19H of the Brawley Municipal Code Concerning the Use and Possession of Fireworks. m/s/c Couchman/Nava 4-1 Castro Naye

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7. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- a. Record of Building Permits for April 2021 in the City of Brawley, prepared by Oscar Escalante, Interim Building Official
- b. Monthly Staff Report for June 2021 presented by Shirley Bonillas, Personnel & Risk Management Administrator

Information regarding departmental reports are available on the City of Brawley's website:

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http://brawley.thepublicspectrum.org/view_video.php?meeting=218&video=GLTWSPY

8. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

City Council Members Reports are available on the City of Brawley's website:

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9. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

City Attorney Report is available on the City of Brawley's website:

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10. CITY CLERK REPORT Nothing to report

11. CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (C.G.C §54957.6)

- a. Agency Designated Representative: Tyler Salcido, City Manager
Employee Organizations: Brawley Firefighters Association and Teamsters
Union Local 542.

The City Council **unanimously** ratified the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Brawley and the Brawley Firefighters Association. m/s/c Nava/Castro 5-0

POTENTIAL LITIGATION (C.G.C. §54956.9)

- a. Conference with Legal Counsel – One (1) Case

ADJOURNMENT @ 9:03 pm

Alma Benavides, City Clerk